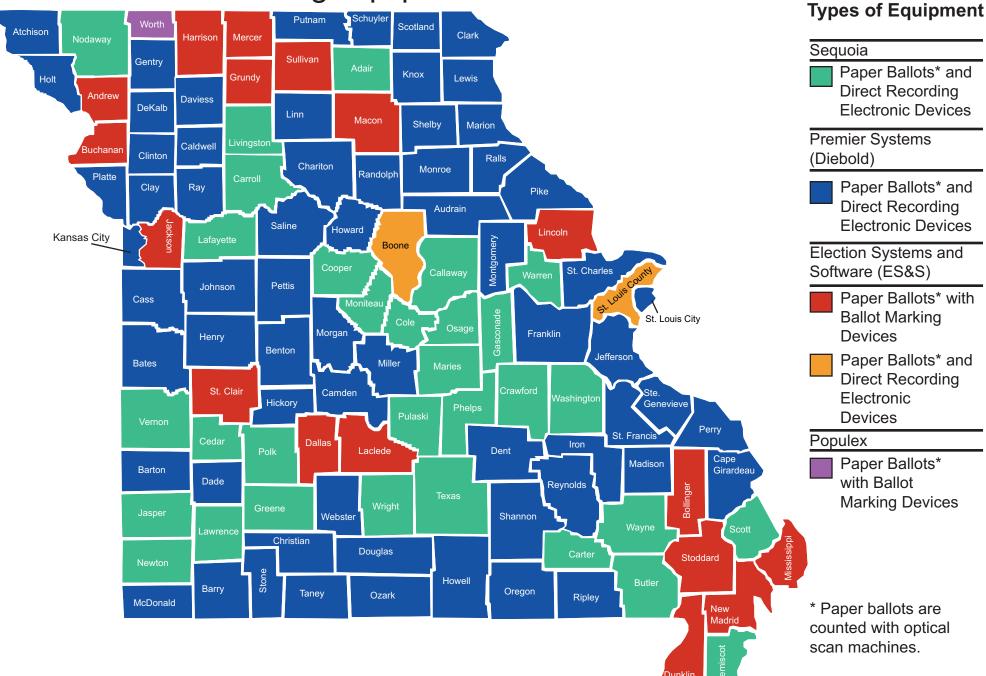
Qualified Voting Equipment in Missouri



What is the Help America Vote Act (HAVA)?

The Help America Vote Act is an ongoing piece of national election reform legislation passed by Congress in 2002. The act requires, among other things, that every polling place in the country have voting equipment that allows every voter to:

- 1.) Verify that their ballot was recorded correctly before it is cast
- 2.) Vote independently regardless of physical or visual impairments

Each of Missouri's 116 local election authorities chose which systems to use in their jurisdiction.

Hand Marked Paper Ballots

Voters mark a paper ballot card which is counted in an optical scan tabulating machine. Optical scan machines also notify the voter in the event of an overvote.

Ballot Marking Device

Voters make their choice on paper ballot cards with the assistance of a machine which marks the voter's selection. These machines are also accessible for individuals with disabilities.

Direct Recording Electronic Touchscreen (DRE)

Voters cast their ballots by touching a computer screen. In Missouri, all DRE Touchscreens are equipped with a voter verifiable paper audit trail (VVPAT) that allows voters to review their selections before casting their final votes. DREs are also accessible for individuals with disabilities.

In Missouri, there are a number of voting systems that have been qualified by the Secretary of State for use by local election authorities. These systems are manufactured by four different vendors:

- Premier Systems (Diebold)
- Sequoia
- Election Systems & Software (ES&S)
- Populex

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